## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	pplication of:	)	
WILLIAM SIMPSON-YOUNG, et al.		:	Examiner: W. Lin
Application No.: 09/836,163		;	Group Art Unit: 2154
Filed:	April 18, 2001	)	
For:	TRANSPARENT TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AND APPARATUS	; ; )	August 29 2006

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) having been filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: